

MINUTES OF FACULTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (FEC 6) MEETING

Thursday, November 16, 2006 8-9:30 a.m.

Present: Lisa Aronson (scribe), Dan Curley (Chair), Jennifer Delton, Dan Hurwitz, Paty Rubio

Absent: Tim Burns,

(1) The minutes of the November 2, 2006 meeting were approved.

(2) CAFR proposal on dismissal of tenured faculty

FEC concerned that proposal does not spell out clear cut guidelines (due process), For example, it is unclear whether the dismissal is “before” or “after” proposed procedure. Concluded that the proposal needs further clarification.

(3) *Faculty Handbook*

FEC asked to revise Part Six of the FH. FEC foresees problem that the FH now empowers the Task Force on Diversity, which sunsets after next year, to take over the responsibility the now defunct Office of Diversity and Affirmative Action. It also questions the inclusion of the “evangelical” self help section, and suggests that we rethink the title of Part Six because “Sexual Harassment” does not accurately reflect its content. FEC concluded that the FH cannot be brought to the floor until this section cleaned up. Therefore, FEC will present only Parts One through Five.

(4) SGA Proposal on the Honor Code

FEC decided to suspend discussion of it until the Honor Code Commission does a more internal review of itself.

(5) New description of Dean of Faculty

Following CEPPs approval, FEC concludes that it can accept the wording that delineates the “advising” vs. “help office” areas.

(6) Election

Noting that there was still only one name submitted for IPPC, FEC would continue to encourage individual faculty to run for that committee.

(7) Faculty Meeting Times

FEC expressed its concern that the administrators reports often exceed a half hour, and that meetings do not always start exactly on time. Also, the minutes of the previous meeting, and the agenda for the upcoming one are still given out at the last minute, making it difficult to respond.

(8) Committees/Groups – Various Issues

Michael Ennis-McMillan (DS) sees a need for a faculty advisory group to help promote scholarships and fellowships for students. The procedure for forming such a group is not clear.

Susan Kress asked if FEC has a problem with the DOF having a greater window on who among the faculty wishes to run. FEC feels we should ask Muriel how she wants to handle this.

FEC noted with concern that the Campus Campaign Committee (an Ad Hoc committee with faculty on it) was formed without FEC being consulted.

(9) Task Force on Course Releases (Dan Curley)

Dan updated us on the results of the Task Force on Course Releases. Guidelines are forthcoming, though it is not clear to whom the report ultimately goes. FEC suggesting consulting with Muriel on this matter.

The meeting adjourned before 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Aronson